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Foxfire Mayor Erickson resigns

by Greg Hankins Times Editor



Mayor George Erickson announced his resignation from the Foxfire Village

Council, effective July 1, during the council's Tuesday, June 10 regular meeting.

Erickson was appointed to the council in 2003 and has served continuously since that time, including nine years as mayor.

He thanked the current council members and all the

others with whom he has served, as well as the present and past members of the village staff and citizen volunteers, for making Foxfire Village "a great community for all our residents."

Erickson noted a number of improvements to the village during the time he has served as mayor, including:

- · Village Green Park,
- Renovation of the village swimming pool,
- Updating of the ordinances and website,
- The growth of the village (See "Foxfire," p. 24)

Work on Westside entrance accelerated

by Greg Hankins Times Editor



Responding to the news that the Lakeway Drive railroad crossing will be upgrad-

ed in late July, Seven Lakes West will accelerate work on the front entrance to the community, completing the unfinished area from the location of the old gatehouse to the railroad tracks by the end of July. Former Seven Lakes West Landowners Association [SLWLA] Director John Goodman, who serves on the Front Entrance Committee, told The Times that work on Phase 2 and 3 willbegin on July 7.

The entrance project began in late December, with the demolition of the old gatehouse, and Phase 1 of the project is nearly complete.

Phase 2 and 3 will extend

(See "Westside," p. 23)

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Members of the Zumba Sentao class at Seven Lakes Baptist Church. See page 2 for information on the free sessions.

NC Senate budget spells trouble for county schools

by Greg Hankins Times Editor



Under pressure from their constituents to increase the salaries of

North Carolina's school teachers, which currently rank near the bottom nationally, the Republican leadership in Raleigh has pledged to come up with raises for teachers in FY2015.

Both Governor Pat McCrory and the NC Senate have produced budgets that do just that.

But the devil is always in the details, as Mike Griffin, Moore County Schools Director of Budget, explained to the Board of Education during their Monday, June 2 meeting.

"Any time there are initiatives funded in a budget, you

always want to know where they are getting the funding to do that," Griffin told the Board.

Senate budget would cut MCS by \$2.7 million

The budget approved by the NC Senate just after midnight on Saturday, May 31, could cost Moore County \$2.7 million, Griffin said. That's more than the increase in local funding the school district sought from the county for FY2015.

The district's total budget for FY2015 is \$106 million; that includes anticipated state funding of \$64 million, a total that does not include the Senate's newly-proposed cuts.

The Senate budget would save money primarily by doing away with teaching assistants in second and third grade classrooms. That would eliminate 65 teacher assistants in Moore County and cost the district \$1.9 million in funding, Griffin said. In addition, 6.5 classroom teaching positions would be lost, increasing class sizes in grades two and three

The Senate budget would completely defund MCS' drivers education program, a \$230,000 cut that would likely shift the cost of driver training onto individual families

Griffin pointed out that state funding for drivers ed had been cut from \$280,000 to \$230,000 in this year's budget, resulting in a \$55 charge for each family taking advantage of the program. The elimination of state funding would raise the cost to

(See "Senate Budget," p. 18)

2 **Seven Lakes Times** June 13, 2014 **Events**

Vacation Bible School at 7 Lakes Chapel

Vacation Bible School starts on Monday, June 16 at Seven Lakes Chapel in the Pines.

All children ages 4 through twelve are invited to attend the five nights of crafts, singing, Bible stories, fellowship and fun. Activities begin at 6:30 pm and last until 8:00 pm each evening.

The Vacation Bible School Friday night the children and program this year is Workshop of Wonders: Imagine and Build with God. The boys and girls will be encouraged to imagine and to create their own designs during many of the craft sessions.

Snacks will be served Monday through Thursday. On their families will be treated to a light supper.

At that time, the VBS boys and girls will share songs that they have learned and display some of the craft items made during the week.

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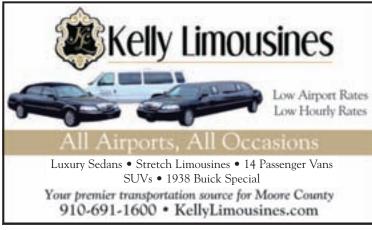
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Citizens: make education county's top priority

by Greg Hankins
Times Editor



The annual hearing on Moore County's budget is seldom a pleasant experi-

ence, for either the folks speaking or the commissioners listening.

Funding for public schools is generally the focus — which is not surprising, given that funding for education makes up forty-two percent of the county's general fund budget.

It's not uncommon for speakers to insinuate — when they don't come right out and say it — that the Moore County Board of Commissioners are underfunding education and playing fast and loose with the future of Moore County's children.

But, this year, it was different.

The dozen speakers who took turns at the microphone during the Tuesday, June 3 hearing on County Manager Wayne Vest's proposed FY2015 budget spent as much time thanking the commissioners for their continued support of the schools — and their recent advocacy for school funding in Raleigh — as they did pressing the case for additional school funding.

Funding formula in the works

That change in tone from previous years may reflect the improved relationship between the two boards and their efforts to develop a funding formula that would provide Moore County Schools [MCS] with a fixed percentage of county tax revenues each year.

School Board Vice Chairman Ben Cameron made just that point as the first speaker during the public hearing.

"We are excited and encouraged about the conversations between the boards — and working together on fixing the problem that the state has created," he said.

"Your eye is on the future . . . and we look forward to

continuing our productive collaboration."

County Manager Vest's budget does not give MCS the \$2.3 million increase in local funding that the district requested, but does provide a \$488,000 increase.

The budget includes a \$600,000 allocation to support the district's digital learning initiative, which aims to put a computer in the hands of every student.

Cameron expressed appreciation for the budgeted increase, while noting that the combination of state budget cuts and a growing student population mean that MCS now spends \$500 less per pupil than it did in 2008.

Parents for Moore turn out

Many of those who spoke during the hearing — and most of the dozens more who attended to show their support for the schools — were wearing the large red badges of Parents for Moore, a newlyorganized group that aims to press for an increase in per pupil funding. The group hosted three informational meetings on school funding last month and used social media to encourage its members to attend the public hearing on the county budg-

Karin Kent, one of Parents for Moore's organizers, drove that message home in her remarks, while praising both the stewardship of the school district and the cooperation between the commissioners and MCS.

Kent noted that twenty-four percent of Moore County's population is now under the age of nineteen, and that the school district has gained 800 more students over the past five years. She said a high-quality workforce is essential to attracting new business and industry.

"We need additional per pupil funding," she said.

Military families weigh in

The commissioners heard from three women from military families who, when they were transferred to Ft. Bragg, chose Moore County for the quality of its schools. "Our number one priority was finding a strong school system," Kristin Parker said. "It was an easy decision to choose Moore County."

Parker told the board that the military contingent at Ft. Bragg is more stable than at other bases because of the types of units and jobs on the base — which means that many Ft. Bragg families become lifetime Moore County residents.

"We love Moore County," military wife Patricia Taylor said, "and that includes our schools and amazing teachers. We have been here five years and intend to make it our permanent home."

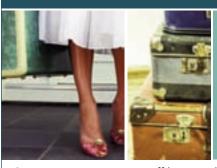
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SLLA grass: Too long, too short, or just right?

by Ellem Marcus
Times Reporter



A short course in turf grasses was among the highlights of the Wednesday, May

28 Open Meeting of the Seven lakes Landowners Association [SLLA].

President Bob Racine questioned the height of the mower blade in use by Davenport Landscaping, which holds the mowing contract for Association common areas. Racine said Davenport had been cutting the grass shorter than the height stated in the landscaping contract.

"You have probably seen me walking two dogs around neighborhood," Racine said. "It's amazing what I find, walking. The grass is to be maintained at three and one half to four inches. Every week they cut it lower and lower. It's the same along the sides of dams."

Different types of grass should be cut at different lengths, Board Director Bill Hirsch explained.

"One is the Bermuda grass," he explained. "In the island, that grass can be mowed quite close and has to be taken down gradually—it's the same on fairways. The more it's trimmed, the better it looks."

"I had mentioned to Ray about whether we could reduce the mowing height," Hirsch continued. "One of the people at Davenport Landscaping is a turf expert. It may look a little sparse, at first, until it starts spreading out."

Racine also asked whether grass could be planted in bare areas.

"The contract limits them," Sohl replied. "They don't plant grass; they only cut it. In many areas, we don't have an irrigation system. If you have no irrigation system, you are not going to have grass."

Recent weather patterns have also affected the appearance of the grass in common areas, Hirsch said.

"We have planted all warm grasses," he explained. "The cool spring has retarded growth. It hasn't been hot enough, and sand is going to be a persistent problem."

"Why do you think is it called the Sandhills?" an audience member asked, rhetorically.

Seven Lakes falls within the Sandhills geographic region, where sandy, well-drained, nutrient poor soils naturally support drought-resistant wire grasses and long leaf pine savannahs — not turf grasses.

"It's not called the Sandhills! It's called Seven Lakes," Racine responded.

Lot recombinations come to an end

The board voted in March to no longer permit lot recombinations, effective May 1. Two fully completed lot recombination applications were submitted to the board before the deadline. A third request was received on May 5, due to scheduling conflicts.

The board voted to grant all three requests; however, the owner of the request submitted late will be required to pay the annual dues on both lots for the current year.

Hydrilla! Not coming to a lake near you

A recent inspection of the lakes showed some algae and spike weeds growing along the shorelines," Manager Sohl reported. Herbicides were applied. Fortunately, no hydrilla was observed.

"The water quality is some of the best in North Carolina," Sohl added.

To keep it pristine boaters, should be careful to clean any boats and fishing tackle that have been used in other lakes, to prevent contamination. Other possible contaminators include waterfowl and run off. Preventative

measures have been taken by stocking the lakes with grass carp.

"There will be a fixed schedule for the remaining [lake management] contract," Sohl said, "so that we can get notice out of when herbicides will be applied. They are below the EPA standards and don't represent a real hazard to dogs, cats, or humans that use the lakes for recreation."

Opportunity for comment

The SLLA Board provides time for member input during open meetings and work sessions. Since being elected in

(See "SLLA," p. 11)







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SLLA Board reviews capital maintenance plan

by Ellen Marcus Times Reporter



Many of the facilities enjoyed by residents of Seven Lakes North and South have been

in continuous use for thirty years or more. Though their bones are, in most cases, sound, work is needed to keep them in top shape.

The question is what to fix when, and the Seven Lakes Landowners Association [SLLA] Board of Directors spent some time trying to answer that question during their work session on Monday, June 2.

What to do when

Five years ago, the SLLA hired the consulting firm Reserve Advisors to conduct an assessment and reserve study of the SLLA's facilities and grounds.

The SLLA Facilities and Ground Committee, chaired by Director Chuck Leach asked each committee, CAS management, and community volunteers to prioritize the reserve study's recommendations. They were also encouraged to include any repairs and maintenance that were not included in the study.

During the June 2 work session, Director Bill Hirsch presented the projects in order of priority — with a two-year price tag of approximately \$500,000.

"The Facilities and Ground Committee put this together after extensive work," Hirsch said. "They are proposing a two-year capital project plan to prioritize work that needs to be done to maintain the community," Hirsch said. "The clock keeps ticking, and things continue to need to be repaired."

Capital maintenance projects are funded through the Association's unrestricted reserves. Road repairs and state-mandated dam maintenance are funded through a restricted reserve set aside specifically for those uses. There is a separate plan for road repaving.

Only a forecast

SLLA President Bob Racine asked if the Finance Committee had an opportunity to review the capital project plan.

"Before we move it to open session, it should go to the Finance Committee," Racine said. "It's half-a-million dollars — we have to make sure we have the money."

The proposal had already the landowners office. made the rounds of the Association's committees. Hirsch

"We have charged the committees with doing the background work,' he said. "What they have done is summarize their research into this recommendation."

"This only a forecast," he added. "The board will have to vote on each project before it is started. We shouldn't dissect every bit of it. If we start to dig in to that point, then I think we are shortcircuiting our committees, who volunteer and do so much work for our commu-

Appropriately Vetted

Members in the audience, several of whom serve on various committees, agreed with Hirsch that a capital projects plan is long overdue.

The list included recently some completed projects, including recent updates to

Director Steve Ritter said he needed additional time to study the proposal.

"I applaud what they did," Ritter said. "I don't understand the numbers on all of this. I guess I need more time to sit down and work these through. If everything is a number one priority, then nothing is."

As the Board and residents in attendance continued to discuss various priorities, a committee member reined in the conversation.

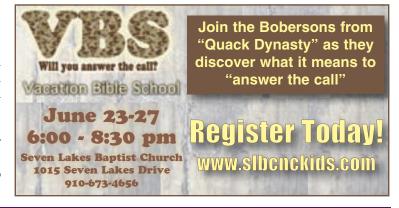
"I have worked on this thing for two years," he said. "I've been all around this com-

munity. To argue over priorities is making a mountain out of a molehill. It needs to be moved on to the Board."

Step in the right direction

"A lot of things have not been identified in the past," resident Jim Allen said. "The budget is very tight to begin with. There are going to be unknowns. It's critical that we should sit down with that list in the Finance Committee and determine what is feasible. But this is light years ahead of what we have ever done in the past. We are picking on minor things. This

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New jail will house inmates with longer sentences

by Greg Hankins Times Editor



Moore County's new detention center is fully up and running — all inmates were

moved to the new jail in late May, Sheriff Neil Godfrey told the Board of Commissioners during their Tuesday, June 3 regular meeting.

And they may soon be joined by even more inmates.

At Godfrey's request, the commissioners authorized Moore County's participation in the Statewide Misdemeanor Confinement Program, which will allow Moore County to hang onto inmates serving longer sentences — and, potentially, to house misdemeanants from other counties.

"We are not asking your approval to house any federal inmates," Godfrey assured the board, perhaps recalling the charges levied by opponents of the new jail that the County was building a prison in the middle of Carthage. "We are not asking your approval to house inmates from Gitmo or anywhere else. These are state inmates who are sentenced to the state prison system."

Godfrey explained that, currently, Moore County is only permitted to house those convicted of misdemeanors who draw sentences ranging up to ninety days. Those with longer sentences must be moved to another facility that is authorized to hold them. Godfrey said Moore County is exporting five to seven inmates each month to other facilities.

With the commissioners' approval, he explained, Moore County can participate in the system as a "receiving" county and house inmates with sentences up to 180 days. About half the state's counties are receiving counties.

The county will be paid \$40 per day per inmate and incur costs of about \$7 per day for food and health care, Godfrey said, noting that he would offer 12 to 15 beds to

be used by the program.

Aside from the potential revenue, another advantage of housing inmates with longer sentences is that they supplement the road cleanup crew and work crews in the kitchen, laundry room, and property management.

Godfrey said the majority of longer-term inmates would be from Moore County, though he might be asked to house some inmates from neighboring counties. He noted that Moore County can opt out of the program at any time if space becomes an issue.

The new detention center has a capacity of 192 inmates; the average daily population in the facility is roughly 130.

The commissioners unan-

imously approved Godfrey's request.

Lottery funds approved

With some consternation, the commissioners approved the use of \$70,310 in funds from the NC Education Lottery for replacement of a sewer force main that serves Sandhills Farmlife Elementary School.

The NC Department of Transportation is replacing a bridge near the school and is requiring the school district to pay for the relocation of a sewer force main attached to the bridge.

"This was completely unexpected and unbudgeted," Moore County Schools' [MCS] Executive Director for Operations Phillip Boles told the board.

He explained that state statutes provide an exclusion that prevents municipalities and sanitary districts from paying for NCDOT-related projects, but school districts are not exempt.

"The Raleigh engineers

stuck to their guns on the state statute," he said. Construction is expected to begin in September and be finished in December.

The Commissioners approved the request for funds,

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Wrestling boosters plead for practice mats

by Greg Hankins Times Editor



wrestlers from Pinecrest and Union Pines High Schools

- along with parents, coaches, and supporters — crowded in to the chambers of the Moore County Board of Education on Monday, June 2, to plead for county funding for new mats for wrestling practice rooms.

Moore County Schools [MCS] is building new auxiliary gyms at both schools, which will offer the wrestling teams improved practice facilities. But, according to those who addressed the school board during the public comment period, no provision has been made for floor mats for those practice areas.

According to Pinecrest Wrestling Booster Mario Contreras, the old practice mats had to be discarded, because their surfaces had cracked to the degreee that they were harboring bacteria and parasites.

"We have had ringworm, staph, and MRSA infections," he said. "We thought new mats were coming with the facilities."

Noting that the wrestling programs at UPHS and PHS are among the top in the state. Conrares urged the Board to find the \$30,000 needed to purchase practice mats for each school.

"We would like you to finish what was started with these auxiliary gyms," he said.

"The issue at hand is the safety of the student athletes," Union Pines Booster Steve Weliver explained. "The mats are made of foam covered in a substance that will ultimately crack. The cracks host germs."

"We are trying got get a facility that is worthy of these two programs Let's take the ball across the finish line."

Weliver said the boosters might have been able to raise funds to pay for the mats, had they been given two years notice. "We are finding out about this late in the ballgame," he said.

Christine Hull, the mother Dozens of of a UPHS wrestler, said wrestling "took someone who was always very unfocused and turned him into a very dedicated student."

> "Moms care about the GPA," she added, noting that the UPHS team was number two among wrestling teams in the state for GPA.

> "To look at the families and the teams and to say this is a \$30,000 bill . . . There's not that much kool aid or lemonade or bake sales running around Moore County."

> Union Pines Booster Marty Bartram said the booster clubs pump about \$10,000 annually into each of the

money doesn't come from the school system," he added.

Facilities or equipment?

MCS Advisor for Community Relations Tim Lussier told *The Times* that, generally, the school district covers the cost of facilities, while the athletic program at each school covers the cost of equipment. The practice mats, he said, would likely fall into the latter category.

Lussier explained that the athletic programs at each school derive revenue from the sale of tickets — with football games likely the largest revenue source. Contributions from booster clubs

wrestling programs. "That also figure significantly in funding athletics.

> UPHS Booster Bartram told *The Times* that the practice mats are an essential part of the practice facility. Not including them was like "asking football players to practice on concrete," he said.

> He said the UPHS and PHS programs generally start the season with fifty wrestlers and have "in the high 30s or low 40s" by the end of the

season. Though the high school wrestling season runs from November through March, the team members participate in club competition, regional and national tournaments, and camps throughout the remainder of the year.

"Every day off the mat, you lose ground," Bartram said. "It's just a slap in the face."



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Spence: NC education funding needs overhaul

by Ellen Marcus
Times Reporter



North Carolina needs to reform its system of funding public educa-

tion, giving local school boards more power to decide how money is spent — and independent taxing authority.

That was the message outgoing Moore County Schools [MCS] Superintendent Dr. Aaron Spence brought to a Wednesday, May 21 meeting of the Pinecrest High School Parent-Teacher-Student Association [PTSA].

Moore County Schools "are not broken," Spence said. "We have met expected growth in proficiency and, in many cases, have exceeded expected growth."

"I am pretty excited that we are twenty-fourth out of all 115 North Carolina School Districts. We are more proficient than we were a year ago."

But funding continues to be a challenge for MCS — in part, Spence said, because the legislators who control spending for public education are poorly informed.

State education funding penalizes Moore County

"Generally speaking, the legislature votes for the budget when they don't know exactly what they are voting for," Spence said. "They vote for a party line. I have often heard them say, when asked, 'I didn't read that part."

"We need to keep trying to explain to our representatives in Raleigh our concerns," Spence said.

Moore County misses out on state funding provided to other rural counties because of the concentration of wealth in Southern Moore, Spence explained.

"The problem with the current formula that determines wealth for each school district is that it doesn't look at the whole county," he said. "The problem with Moore is that most of our county is rural and is not wealthy. The wealth is found in the south-

ern end of the county."

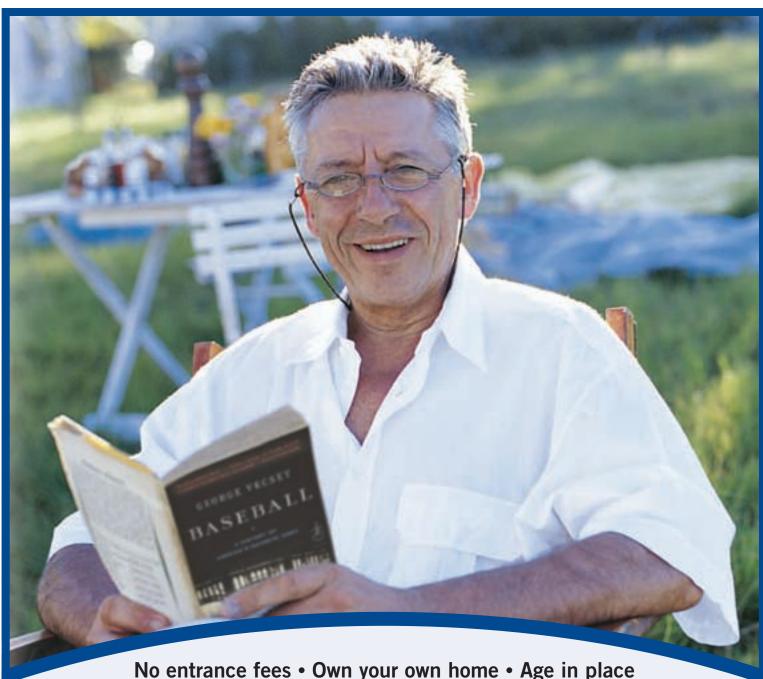
The state budget for education tightly controls local spending, specifying, for example, how much may be spent for teachers, teacher assistant, textbooks, etc.

"It would it be better if we had some latitude as to how we spend that money for the needs we have," Spence said. "If we could move it from one pot to another or where it is needed the most."

He encouraged PTSA members to contact their legislators and ask that they provide a block grant for education and let the local school boards decide how to spend the money.

Up to the County

"But, I am not anticipating at this point and time that the state is going to change course," Spence reported. "So county funding has to (See "Spence," p. 25)



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Seven Lakes Country Club rant, The Tufts' Bar & Grill. [SLCC] wants residents of Seven Lakes and Moore County to know that the award-winning golf course is no longer an exclusive private club, but rather a semiprivate facility that welcomes visitors of all ages and skill levels.

To get the message out, the club is aggressively marketing a variety of discounts and special offers — as well as working to increase the visibility of the on-site restau-

The unique Pete Tufts designed links course has been recognized as one of the top 100 golf courses in North Carolina for the sixth year in a row and was selected as "Course of the Year" by the Sandhills Chapter of the National Golf Course Owners Association in 2010, 2011, and 2012 — the only course in the area to have won this honor three years in a row.

"In my eyes," said Club

General Manager Mike Floyd, "the words 'customer' and 'outsider' are very sterile, bland, and non-inviting. However, the word 'guest' evokes thoughts of welcoming someone into your home — and that's how we want to represent the club going forward."

Drawing on twenty-five years at Walt Disney World, Flovd has worked to transform the attitude at SLCC from a "customer" approach to a "guest" approach.

beyond expectations, and it shows," Floyd said.

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Commissioners

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but instructed County Attorney Misty Leland to draft a letter to the county's state representatives asking that they investigate the matter.

Other Business

In other business during their Tuesday, June 3 regular meeting, the Moore County Board of Commissioners:

 Added Johnston County to the Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan that includes the counties of Moore. Chatham, Lee, and Harnett. Moore County manages the combination federal and state grant that funds the hazard mitigation planning process, which ensures that the countv remains in compliance with federal regulations.

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- Extended until December 31 the contract with Sanford Metal Building for the construction of facilities at the county's new Fire-EMS substation on Glendon-Carthage Road. Public Safety Director Bryan Phillips explained that weather had delayed completion of the project.
- · Called a public hearing for Tuesday, June 17 on a request by David Upchurch for a general use rezoning of a 60-acre parcel near the intersection of Juniper Lake and Murdocksville Road from RA-5 to RA-40. Upchurch and his partners plan to develop the parcel and an adjacent tract as a residential subdivision.
 - Called a June 17 public

1556 Currie Mill Rd

Jackson Springs, NC

hearing on a request from Angus McDonald to rezone 6.82 acres on NC Highway 211 near Archie Road from RA-40 to B-2 Highway Commercial District.

- Called a June 17 public hearing on a conditional use permit requested by American Tower for a 250-foot cellphone tower near NC 24-27 west of Robbins.
- Appointed Tony Price to the Social Services Board.
- Reappointed Carol Henry as an extraterritorial Jurisdiction member of the Pinehurst Board of adjustment and as an alternate member of the village's Planning and Zoning Board.





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afternoon, we try to give him a complete guest experience," he explained. "This includes being greeted and served with

authentic Southern Hospitality from the pro shop staff to the Tufts Bar & Grill room after the round."

The club is offering a variety

of discounted options for membership and casual play, including a 50 percent discount on membership fees —which start at \$100 a

month for unlimited golf.

A mid-week discount for residents reduces rates by 55 percent on Tuesday through Wednesday. Other new incentives for families are the 11-hole for \$20 deal and the 7-hole afternoon deal for only \$10.

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SLLA Open Meeting

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April, President Racine has continued to encourage member interaction and has said on more than one occasion: "We can only govern by your input. It is your association."

During the May open meet-

ing, several members signed up to speak during public comment.

Racine told members he appreciated their comments and reminded them that they should keep discussion on topic and brief.

Evening swim?

One member said that she was frustrated with the pool evening hours, "By the time I get home for work, change, and get settled it makes no sense to go and swim for a half hour," she said. "I don't know if there is any opportunity to change that or extend it?"

"We mirrored the hours from last year," SLLA Manager Ray Sohl replied. "Early in the season, we are limited by the people we have as lifeguards and the hours they can work. If there is a consensus, certainly hours can be extended. We hired all new lifeguards last Thursday, and we are working with their schedule."

Deputies on speed patrol

Speeding is a continual problem within the gates of Seven Lakes.

Director Steve Ritter reported that the Moore County Sheriff's Office is providing periodic traffic surveillance within Seven Lakes North and South.

"So far, one traffic citation has been issued for excessive speeding and three warnings given for people going too fast," Ritter said. "We are a gated community; the people speeding are your neighbors."

Appointments

Also during the Wednesday, May 28 Open Meeting, Mike Conway was appointed as a new member to the ARB Board and Judy Allen was appointed to the Judicial Committee.

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SLLA Work Session

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is a major step in right direction and makes a lot of sense in moving forward."

To allow for further community input SLLA Manager Ray Sohl suggested a that a town hall meeting be held before the regualr open meeting on June 25th.

The recommendations are fluid, Sohl reminded the board.

Just Enough Time

As the Board turned to other matters, Sohl recommended amending the collection procedures, so that the Association would pursue foreclosure only when a landowner's past due balance totals more than one year's dues.

"Pursuing foreclosure at end of ninety days — I think it creates such bad will in the community, Sohl said. "One year is the benchmark. It's fair."

But Sohl also urged quick action on accounts with a balance that exceeds one year's dues.

Pool Hours

Sohl told the Board that he would adjust the schedule of the pool staff in order to provide a lifeguard for water aerobics.

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Holden Bradley Cheek

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Chapel Hill, NC

Holden is the son David & Jerry Cheek of Seven Lakes North & the grandson of Jackie Ingram of Seven Lakes and Pete & Beckie Cheek of West End. He earned a degree in Civil Engineering and is employed at Tower Engineering Professionals in Raleigh.



Leanne Rene Giles

Savannah College of Art & Design Atlanta, GA

Leanne is the daughter of Sherrie and Norman Hudson. She is the granddaughter of LaVon L. Morales of Foxfire Village.

Leanne will work as an intern in Atlanta, GA.



Seth McChesney

University of Virginia Charlottesville, VA

Seth is the grandson of Jan and Bob Mitchell of Seven Lakes West.

He will continue his education in Physical Therapy.

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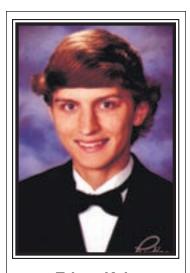
High School Grads

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Congratulations, Class of 2014!



Ethan Kyle Brenneman Sanderson High School Raleigh, NC

Ethan is the son of Kurt and Sorien Schmidt Brenneman of Raleigh.

He is the grandson of Bill and Jean Schmidt of Seven Lakes West and Barbara Brenneman of Wilmington.

Ethan will attend UNC-Chapel Hill.



Ian Di SesaBlue Ridge School
St George, VA

lan is the son of Heather and Craig Di Sesa and the grandson of Marlyn and Neil MacDonald.

He will attend Randolph College in the fall.



Kyle Flynn Novato High School Novato, CA

Kyle is the son of Bethany and Kevin Flynn and the grandson of Mary and Bill Price.

He was a member of the Novato Soccer and Swim teams as well as an Eagle Scout.

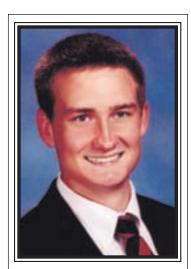
Kyle will attend San Diego State University.



Andrew Le Blanc
Bloomingdale High School
Valrico, FL

Andrew is the son of Laurie and Kevin Le Blanc and the grandson of Marlyn and Neil MacDonald.

He will attend the University of Florida.



Matthew Le Blanc
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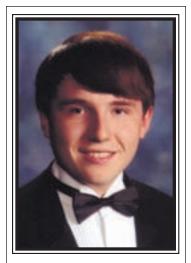


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Samuel James Lewis

Pinecrest High School Southern Pines, NC Samuel is the son of James and Marie Lewis of Seven Lakes West. He was the Debate Team Captain, a member of National Honor Society, a National Merit student, & a National Forensic League Academic All American.

Samuel will attend the University of Chicago.



Emily Marie Lewis

Pinecrest High School Southern Pines, NC

Emily is the daughter James and Marie Lewis of Seven Lakes West.

She was a member of the tennis and lacrosse teams.
Emily will attend Cape Fear Community College.



Rich Milligan Greenville High School

Greenville, SC

Rich is the son of Richy & Leslie Milligan of Greenville, SC & the grandson of Dr. Ronnie & Betty Milligan of Seven Lakes West. He received the Marine Semper Fidelis award, & was a National Honor Society member. Rich will be attending The Citadel in Charleston, SC.



Meghan Ann Murphy

Bayport-Blue Point High School Bayport, NY

Meghan is the daughter of Kathleen and Jim Murphy. She is the granddaughter of Grace and Steve Murphy of Holtsville, NY and Priscilla Snee and the late Jerry Snee of Seven Lakes West.

Meghan will be attending the State University of New York at Geneseo.



Conner Wallace Price

Carroll High School Southlake, Texas

Connor is the son of Emily and Charles Price and the grandson of Mary and Bill Price.

He was a member of the Carroll wrestling team as well as an Eagle Scout.

Connor will attend Southern Methodist University.

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Michelle Elizabeth Riffitts

North Penn High School Lansdale, PA

Michelle is the daughter of Frank and Janet Riffitts of Hatfield, PA and the granddaughter of Ray and June Cooper of Seven Lakes North.

A National Merit Scholar, Michelle will attend the University of Pittsburgh majoring in Bioengineering.

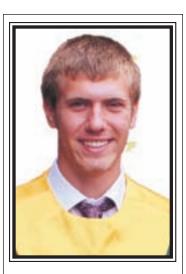


Connor William Stark

Cuthbertson High School Waxhaw, NC

Connor is the son of Darrell and Corina Stark of Waxhaw and the grandson of Fran Stark and the late Robert William Stark of Seven Lakes

He will attend Lees McRae College in Banner Elk, NC in the fall.



Brett Anthony Stewart

Pinecrest High School Southern Pines, NC

Brett, a former Seven Laker, is the son of Lisa Stewart of Pinehurst and Dave Stewart of GA.

He graduated with honors. Brett will attend NC State University in the fall to major in statistics.



Madison Tyler Walling

Pinecrest High School Southern Pines, NC Madison is the daughter of Chris and Angela Walling of Seven Lakes North.

A member of National Honor Society, she will be attending UNC Chapel Hill after taking a global gap year with Thinking Beyond Borders as an agent of worldwide social awareness and change.

Currie Chavez

Pinecrest High School Southern Pines, NC

Currie is the son of Paul H. and Melissa Chavez. He is the grandson of Paul F. Chavez of Seven Lakes North.

He was in the marching band for three years and won numerous achievements in competition. Currie will attend Sandhills Community College and transfer to a college of his choice.

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• Free concert & movie – 6:30 pm, Arts Council of Moore County and Town of Southern Pines is featuring the U.S. Army Ground Forces Band, followed by Disney's awardwinning film, "Frozen." Southern Pines Downtown Park, 145 SE Broad St., Southern Pines.

<u>SATURDAY, JUNE 14</u>

- · Flag Day
- Zumba Class 9:30 10:30 am, free. Seven Lakes Baptist Church, Hankins Family Life Center. 1015 Seven Lakes Drive. 910-673-4656.
- SunFlix at the Sunrise 7:30 pm, *Belle*, Sunrise Theater, 250 NW Broad Street, Southern Pines (910) 692-3611.

SUNDAY, JUNE 15

- · Father's Day
- Rosary at Our Lady of the Americas Church – 8:00 am, 298 Market Rd. Biscoe, 974-3051.
- St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church 9:30 am, Holy Communion. 1145 Seven Lakes Drive. 673-3838.
- "Ticks, Chiggers, and Spiders" 3 pm, Ticks, chiggers, and spiders are very prevalent in the Sandhills. Poisonous spiders and disease-carrying ticks will be identified. Program in Auditorium to learn more. Weymouth Woods, 1024 Fort Bragg Rd., Southern Pines, 910-692-2167. Free.
- The Rooster's Wife 6:45 pm, doors open 6 pm, Poplar Knight Spot. Musical guest: David Jacobs-Strain, Ten String Symphony, Tat-

tletale Saints. The Rooster's Wife. 114 Knight St., Aberdeen, www.theroosterswife.org

• SunFlix at the Sunrise - 7:30 pm, *Belle*, Sunrise Theater, 250 NW Broad Street, Southern Pines.

MONDAY, JUNE 16

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shop of Wonders. Chapel

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SunFlix at the Sunrise -

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Theater, 250 NW Broad

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TUESDAY, JUNE 17

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• "Exploring our Sandhills"— 10 am, Meet a Park Ranger at the Visitor Center for a short introduction presentation and stroll into the Longleaf forest. Weymouth Woods, 1024 Fort Bragg Rd., Southern Pines, 910-692-2167. Free.

> • Healing Service – 11 am, St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church. 1145 Seven Lakes Dr.Intercessory prayers

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- Moore County Board of Commissioners 6 pm, at the Historic Courthouse, Carthage.
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- SunFlix at the Sunrise 7:30 pm, *Belle*, Sunrise Theater, 250 NW Broad Street, Southern Pines (910) 692-3611.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18

- Rosary at Our Lady of the Americas Church – 8:50 am, 298 Market Rd. Biscoe, 974-3051.
- Project Linus Fleece Workshop – 10 am - 2 pm. Workshop is a at Seven Lakes North Clubhouse. Fleece will be provided to

make into blankets, plus blankets need to be inspected and labeled. Project Linus also accepts blankets and afghan donations during workshops. Call Pat Weber 673-1457.

- Gallery at Seven Lakes 1 - 4 pm, at St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church, 1145 Seven Lakes Drive.
- SL Baptist Church AWANA – 6:30 to 8 pm, in the Hankins Family Life Center. For children age 3 to 5th grade. Seven Lakes Baptist Church, 1015 Seven Lakes Drive.
- Rosary at Chapel in the Pines 7 pm, at the Chapel in the Pines. Coordinator Virginia Heerema, 673-5150. Seven Lakes.
- The Truth Project 7 pm, West End United Methodist Church. Bible study will offer an in-depth Christian World View Experience. Lecture led by Dr & Rev. Won Namkoong and Larry McCune.

THURSDAY, JUNE 19

• Bread of Life Ministry – West End United Methodist Church, 11 am until 1 pm. Ministry is for seniors (widows, widowers, and the elderly). Fellowship, devotion and a meal provided at \$5.

- Gallery at Seven Lakes 1 - 4 pm, at St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church, 1145 Seven Lakes Drive.
- Sandhills Winery Wine Tasting – 5:30 pm to 8 pm. 1057 Seven Lakes Drive. (910) 673-2949. www.sandhillswinery.com

FRIDAY, JUNE 20

• SunFlix at the Sunrise – 7:30 pm, *The Immigrant*, Sunrise Theater, 250 NW Broad Street, Southern Pines (910) 692-3611.

SATURDAY, JUNE 21

- Summer Begins
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- "Pollination Celebration"
- 3 pm, In honor of National Pollinator Week, Weymouth will be celebrating the amazing role that insects play as pollinators. From bees and wasps to butterflies and moths, the group will explore the park's large preserved insect collection, and also take a walk to find what's flying this time of year. Bring water, sunscreen and bug spray. Weymouth Woods, 1024 Fort Bragg Rd., Southern Pines, 910-692-2167. Free and open to the public.
- The Rooster's Wife 6:45 pm, doors open 6 pm, Poplar Knight Spot. Musical guest: The Get Right Band. The Rooster's Wife. 114 Knight St., Aberdeen, www.theroosterswife.org
- SunFlix at the Sunrise -7:30 pm, *The Immigrant*, Sunrise Theater, 250 NW Broad Street, Southern Pines (910) 692-3611.

MONDAY, JUNE 23

- Weight Watchers Meeting -5 pm to 6 pm, at St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church, 1145 Seven Lakes Drive, Seven Lakes.
- · Seven Lakes Baptist **Church VBS** –6 pm to 8:30 pm, VBS for kids, join the church each night June 23 - 27. Seven Lakes Baptist Church, 1015 Seven Lakes Drive, 910-673-4656.
- Sandhills Natural History **Society** – 7 pm, meeting

at Weymouth Woods Auditorium, 1024 Ft. Bragg Rd., Southern Pines. Ornithologist Susan Campbell will present, "Lake Mattamuskeet National Wildlife Refuge: A Visit to One of Eastern North Carolina's Crown Jewels." Presentation will include highlights of history and biodiversity of the refuge. Visitors Welcome. Call 910-692-2167 for more information or visit online at www.sandhillsnature.org

SunFlix at the Sunrise -7:30 pm, The Immigrant, Sunrise Theater, 250 NW Broad Street, Southern Pines (910) 692-3611.

TUESDAY, JUNE 24

- · St. Jean Baptiste Day
- Healing Service 11 am, St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church. 1145 Seven Lakes Dr., Seven Lakes. Intercessory prayers for the sick & troubled, those in harms way, traveling, bereaved or deceased. Reverend Carol Burgess. All are welcome.
- Seven Lakes West **Landowners Association** - 7 pm, work session. West Side Park Community Cen-
- SunFlix at the Sunrise -7:30 pm, The Immigrant, Sunrise Theater, 250 NW Broad Street, Southern Pines (910) 692-3611.

<u>WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25</u>

- · Rosary at Our Lady of the Americas Church -8:50 am, 298 Market Rd. Biscoe, 974-3051.
- Gallery at Seven Lakes -1 - 4 pm, at St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church,

1145 Seven Lakes Drive

- SL Baptist Church **AWANA** - 6:30 to 8 pm, in the Hankins Family Life Center. For children age 3 to 5th grade. Seven Lakes Baptist Church, 1015 Seven Lakes Drive, 910-673-4656.
- Rosary at Chapel in the **Pines** – 7 pm, at the Chapel in the Pines. Coordinator Virginia Heerema, 673-5150. Seven Lakes.
- **The Truth Project** 7 pm, West End United Methodist Church. Bible study will offer an in-depth Christian World View Experience. Led by Dr & Rev. Won Namkoong and Larry McCune.
- **Seven Lakes Landowners** Association - 7 pm, General meeting. Seven Lakes North Clubhouse.

THURSDAY, JUNE 26

- · Bread of Life Ministry -West End United Methodist Church, 11 am until 1 pm. Ministry is for seniors (widows, widowers, and the elderly). Fellowship, devotion and a meal provided at \$5.
- Gallery at Seven Lakes -1 - 4 pm, at St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church, 1145 Seven Lakes Drive

Sandhills Winery Wine **Tasting** - 5:30 pm to 8 pm. 1057 Seven Lakes Drive. (910) 673-2949. www.sandhillswinery.com

FRIDAY, JUNE 27

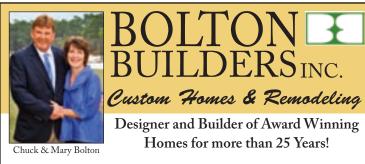
SLCC Casual Friday - at the Tufts Bar & Grill. Celebrate the end of the U.S. Open with cocktails at 5 pm and a buffet dinner featuring Chicken Diane with angel hair pasta, sauce, and more. Special pricing for children 6 - 11. Children 5 & under Free. Stay for games until 9 pm. Call 673-1100 ext 3 by 3:30 pm on Tuesday, June 24 for details and reservations. Open to all Sandhills friends and neighbors.

SATURDAY, JUNE 28

Zumba Class - 9:30 to 10:30 am, free class at the Seven Lakes Baptist Church, Hankins Family Life Center. 1015 Seven Lakes Drive, 910-673-4656.

<u>SUNDAY, JUNE 29</u>

- First Day of Ramadan
- "Picture Perfect" 3 pm, It's Camera Day! Bring a device capable of taking a digital pictures. Then follow the directions and clues to take photos around the park. Bring your friends and enjoy the day. Weymouth Woods, 1024 Fort Bragg Rd., Southern Pines, 910-692-2167. Free and open to the public.



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Senate budget

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\$250 per student, Griffin said, or drivers ed "would become totally privatized."

Additional cuts in the Senate budget include \$257,000 from the transportation budget and \$45,000 to the central office

"This is a dramatic, dramatic impact on our budget, if this goes forward," Griffin said.

The Senate's budget uses those cuts to provide an average eleven percent increase in teacher's pay, though that raise is contingent upon teachers agreeing to give up tenure.

Governor's budget redirects lottery funds

Governor McCrory's budget funds more modest raises for teachers, as well as additional money for textbooks.

Beginning teachers would see a 7.1 percent increase, while raises would range from 2.0 percent to 4.3 percent further up the salary scale. Principals and assistant principals would see a 2.0 percent

Textbook funding would be doubled from last year's budget, an additional \$23 million.

But some of the cash to pay for those increases would be drawn from NC Education Lottery proceeds, which, Griffin pointed out, are supposed to be used to reduce class size, support pre-kindergarten programs, provide college scholarships, and fund construction and capital project funds.

"When those funds are redirected, we cannot use those funds for those items. because they have been used for something else," Griffin

Moore County's Commissioners, along with county officials from across the state, are pressuring state representatives to approve a bill that would restore the percentage of lottery funds reserved for school districts to the full forty percent initially approved by the vot-

The Governor's budget also sticks a camel's nose under the local funding tent, shifting the cost of workers' compensation for state-funded employees, along with bus liability claims, to local taxpayers.

"These have historically always been funded by the state," Griffin said. "This is a small item in the upcoming budget. This is a significant potential liability for the future, if this starts to shift to local taxpayers . . . this is a door that does not need to open."

Griffin said the governor's

budget would cut about \$178,000 — or the equivalent of about six positions — in funding for teacher assistants in Moore County, as well as \$50,000 in transportation funding, a sum that would, in effect, be shifted onto local taxpavers.

The NC House released its budget on Tuesday, June 10. Griffin is expected to prepare a summary of its impact on Moore County Schools for review by the school board.

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Assistants already underfunded

by Greg Hankins Times Editor



Director of Budget Mike Griffin clarified the threat that the Senate budget poses to teacher assistants in kindergarten and first grade classrooms.

NC Senate Leader Phil Berger has said that the planned cuts in funding for teacher assistants is aimed at eliminating the use of assistants in second and third grade classrooms,

because research shows their presence does not improve student achievement.

But Griffin explained that MCS, under budget pressure, cut assistants in grades two and three a few years ago. Under the General Assembly's guidelines calling for one teacher per eighteen or nineteen students in the lower grades, full funding for assistants in grade K-3 would total \$6.4 million, but MCS receives only \$3.4 million, enough for 123 assistants.

MCS has 92 kindergarten and first grade classrooms, all with assistants paid for with state funds. The remaining 31 assistants are assigned to classrooms serving children with disabilities.

The Senates budget, which proposes cutting the funding for assistants in half, would take MCS down to 62, leaving the district with too few assistants to staff even kindergarten and first grade classrooms, let alone provide enough assistants to serve children with special needs.

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In memory of . . .

Former NC Senator Harris Durham Blake, 84, of Pinehurst, died on Monday, June 9 at his home.

Senator Blake was born in Jackson Springs, the son of Evander Blake and Claudia Parker. A graduate of West End High School, he served in the Korean War with the U.S. Army and briefly attended Elon College. He married his late wife Barabara in 1953. He was employed as a clerk and later manager of Pinehurst Hardware & Supply Co, eventually purchasing and expanding the business into three locations. He was owner of Pinehurst South Realty.

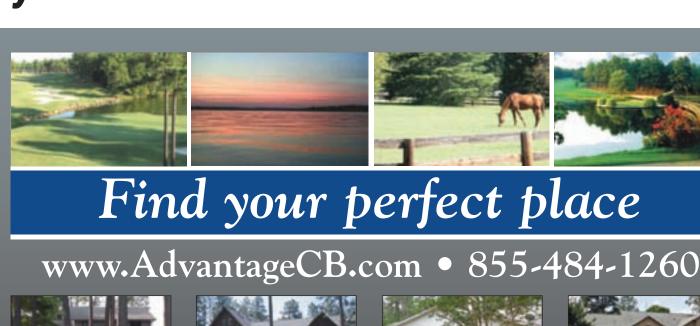
As an appointee of President Ronald Reagan, Blake was Associate Administrator for the Farmers Home Administration (FMHA) within the U.S. Department of Agriculture. He was elected to the NC Senate in 2002, serving until 2012. Prior to retirement from the Senate, Senator Blake was designated President Pro Tempore.

Senator Blake served on several business and nonprofit boards, including those of Moore Regional Hospital, Moore Regional Foundation, Moore County Schools, Sandhills Community College, the NC Housing Finance Agency, Sandhills Area Chamber of Commerce Pinehurst Lions Club, Sandhills Kiwanis Club, and Moore County Historical Society.

He was a proud recipient of the Governor's Longleaf Pine Award for the development of educational, cultural and economic exchanges between North Carolina and China.

Senator Blake is survived by his daughter, Joy, and son-in-law, Luke Donat, of Wilmington, NC; brother, Waylon Blake of Columbia, SC; and his sister, Betty McNeill of Candor. He was preceded in death by sisters Lillian, Odessa, Jewell, and Margaret; and brothers Kimes, Elwood, and Billy.

Funeral services were to be held at the Jackson Springs Presbyterian Church (Continued on page 20)





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on Thursday, June 12 at 11:00 am, with burial following in the church cemetery with military honors.

Memorials may be made to the Jackson Springs Presbyterian Church Cemetery or Preservation Fund, PO Box 7, Jackson Springs, NC

Boles Funeral Home of Pinehurst is serving the family.

Walter Duncan Saunders.

85, of West End, died Sunday, June 8 at FirstHealth Moore Regional Hospital.

Born in Anson County, he was the son to the late George Washington and Annie Saun-

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife Glennie Saunders; three brothers. Pete Saunders, Floyd Saunders and Tommy Saunders; two sisters, Louise Carter and Polly Poe.

He is survived by one son, Tim Saunders and wife Donna; two brothers, Drew Saunders and David Saunders; brother and sisters-inlaws, Mary Saunders, Louise Saunders, Frankie Saunders, Elizabeth Saunders, and Jim Carter, and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held hurst, NC 28374. Wednesday, June11 at West

End First Baptist Church. Interment followed at West End Cemetery.

Boles Funeral Home and Crematory, Inc. of Seven Lakes assisted the family.

John Edwin Kleinfeller. age 92, died Tuesday, June 3, at FirstHealth Hospice

A memorial service was held on Monday, June 9, at Our Saviour Lutheran Church. Pastor Todd Rauscher officiated.

Mr. Kleinfeller and his wife Barbara retired to Seven Lakes in 1987 from Wantagh,

He was very active in the Seven Lakes community and with the Kiwanis club of Seven Lakes.

He was preceded in death by his wife Barbara and his son John.

Survivors include his son Eugene Kleinfeller of Seven Lakes; his grandchildren, Nina Kleinfeller, Quincy Barker, Flynn Kleinfeller and a great granddaughter, Hazel Barker.

Memorials donations may be made to Our Saviour Lutheran Church, 1517 Luther Way, Southern Pines, NC 28387 or to FirstHealth Hospice and Palliative Care, 150 Applecross Rd., PineMary Vick Featherston,

87, died Sunday, June 1, at Dosher Rest Home, Southport, NC, after a long illness.

She was born in South Boston, VA, and grew up in Durham. She graduated from Durham High School in 1944, and married A.L. "Lou" Featherston in 1947.

After living several years in Greensboro and Charlotte, the couple returned to Durham in 1961, remaining there until Mr. Featherston's retirement in 1981, when the couple moved to Seven Lakes.

Mrs. Featherson was preceded in death by her husband.

Survivors include four children, Alwyn, Mark, Richard and Elizabeth; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services will be private. The family requests that memorial donations be made to Alzheimer research.

Penney L. Smith, 52, of Seven Lakes North, died Saturday, May 31 at the FirstHealth Hospice House, Pinehurst.

She was the daughter of John D. (Jack) Smith of Woodbury, GA and Hazle G. Smith of Ocala, FL.

Ms. Smith received a Bachelor and Master's degree from the University of North Florida. She worked as a Special Agent for the FBI for twenty six years.

Survivors include her twin sister Joy Smith of Seven Lakes; she was also the sister

to Jody Kozakowski of Corona, CA; Lt. Col. James J. Smith of KS; and Ret. Major Dana A. Smith of GA;

Survivors also include her two daughters, Ting, age 11 and Yeni, age 3; and her Aunt and Uncle, Carolyn and Ken Mealing of Seven Lakes.

A private celebration of her (Continued on page 21)





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Seven Lakes is serving the family.

Charles Brooks Bradbury,

81, died on Wednesday, May 28, at FirstHealth Hospice House from brain cancer.

Mr. Bradbury was born in White Plains NY and grew up in Briarcliff Manor, NY. He graduated from St. Lawrence University, Canton NY with a BS in Health and Physical Education in 1954 and M.Ed in Secondary Administration in 1958. Mr.

Bradbury was a member of the Football team. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Boles Funeral Home of Epsilon, was Commissioned a 2nd LT in the US Army upon graduation, and served in the 515th MP Company. He married Mary Elizabeth Nelson in Syracuse, NY.

> Mr. Bradbury began his teaching and coaching career in Beacon NY. His career in coaching and teaching spanned 30 years.

> He was preceded in death by his parents C.Brooks Bradbury and Barbara Lynch Bradbury and grandson Bolton Pape.

Survivors include his wife

Mary; sons, C. Brooks Bradbury and wife Susan of Waynesville; Thomas Nelson Bradbury and his wife Cindy of Los Angeles, CA; daughters Elizabeth Bradbury Carpenter and husband Thomas of Charlotte: Susan Bradbury Follett and husband Robert of Wheaton IL; and Barbara Bradbury-Pape and husband Will of Woodbury, CT; his grandchildren; and his brother Will Bradbury of New York

A funeral Mass was held at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church, Southern Pines on Wednesday, June 4. Interment followed at St. Anthony of Padua Cemetery.

City.

Memorial donations may be made to FirstHealth Hospice and Palliative Care, 150 Applecross Road, Pinehurst, NC 28374 or St. John Paul School/Gymnasium fund, ed the family.

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It's summer at WEPC!

West End Presbyterian Church has changed its worship time on Sundays to 10 am for the Summer months.

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Mary Featherston - 'Ms. Seven Lakes'

On Sunday June 1, Mary Featherston died after a long illness. She was living in Southport, N.C. near her daughter, Libby.

Most people in Seven Lakes that read this will not recognize Mary Featherston's name. Everyone should.

If Fred Lawrence was Mr. Seven Lakes during the 1970's, 80's, and early 90's; then Mary Featherston was

Ms. Seven Lakes during the 1980s and early 1990s.

Mary worked for the original developer of the community and then continued to work for the group that bought the development in 1983. She, more than any other individual, was responsible for the community spirit that existed during that time. Mary was sensational at many things but getting the community to support projects and activities was something at which she simply excelled. Those of us who remember the wonderful things that made us a tight knit community have Mary and her many volunteers to thank for those good memheart, Lib Kollman, are just a few names that come to mind as people that supported Mary's insatiable desire to improve our community.

Thank you Mary for all that you meant to our community.

ories. Jane Hines, Vi Ever- I wish everyone could have experienced your enthusiasm for Seven Lakes.

> For those of us that knew you, you will always be appreciated and never forgotten.

> > D. Alan Shaw Seven Lakes South

VVA says Thanks!

Moore County Chapter 966 of the Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA) conducted their annual Memorial Day ceremony at the Veterans Memorial in Carthage.

Four of the VVA participants were enjoying breakfast at Pete's in Carthage before the ceremony. As we were finishing breakfast, a young man and his daughter came to our table and thanked us for our service.

He then proceeded to gather up our bills for breakfast and announce he was paying for our meals. We all commented that no one had ever done that for us before.

When we left the restaurant, we passed the cashier,

On Saturday, May 24, the obviously not having to give her any cash. Rather, she handed us \$60 which were donations to our chapter from three other customers at the restaurant. They had left the money with her after paying their bills.

We all fought back tears as we left for the ceremony, knowing that after over 40 years since our duty in Vietnam, we were finally receiving a "welcome home." Thank you to all the generous patrons at Pete's, thank you Moore County residents for your support and God Bless

> Jack Bergquist President Chapter 966, VVA

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Thanks from Lions for successful plant sale

Dear Editor:

The Seven Lakes Lions Club would like to thank all the local residents who came and bought many of the beautiful flowers and shrubs from their recent sale.

A special thanks to Rob Barrett at the Prescription Shoppe, Green Haven Plant Farm, and Elaine Yow.

Funds collected from the sale will go towards the many service and community projects supported by the local is the world's largest service Lions Club. is the world's largest service organization with over a mil-

The Lions Club has sturdy straw brooms for sale at the Prescription Shoppe, Seven Lakes Eye Care, and Party Pack and Ship Store.

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Bill Seldomridge, President Seven Lakes Lions Club

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Summer is often a time for serious play, time off and deep relaxation. Many of us use the summertime to rebuild our reserves for the rest of the busy year. In our work-crazed society we can lose sight of the benefits of slowing down and taking time to rest.

Now that summer is in full swing, it's time to enjoy the restorative powers of reconnecting to your body through movement and relaxation.

Summer is a unique time of year when we can do both our relaxation and our movement out in nature. Take a nap in a hammock and enjoy the smell of freshly cut grass. Go to the park and meditate or read under a favorite tree.

One of the greatest places to rest in the summertime is by the water. There is something magical and restorative in water, and we naturally crave to be near it, by it or in it. Heading to the water, whether it is the beach, a lake or a kiddie pool, can be relaxing and rejuvenating.

Just as much as the body loves to relax, the body loves to move. Even though our body is healthiest when it is getting appropriate physical activity, we often feel dread and boredom when we hear the word "exercise." Think for a moment of what type of movement you would consider fun as opposed to torturous.

Perhaps you loathe the idea of a gym, but miss taking dance classes. Maybe you secretly want to try yoga or rollerblading. You could play touch football with your kids, walk with a neighbor in the mornings or go for a swim. The summer offers so many choices – it's simply up to you to choose which style of movement excites you. Your heart will thank you, your soul will be gratified, your limbs will be more fluid and you'll sleep better at night.

Whether you are relaxing, exercising or both, notice that being outside in nature has a profound way of quieting the mind and reconnecting us to ourselves. Often this relaxation and peace of mind are what our bodies crave the most.

So, while summer is with us, strap on your sandals and enjoy to the fullest the rich elements of sun, wind and water and the nourishment that they bring.



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Westside entrance

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new asphalt to the crossing as well as extending the curbing that has already been installed on most of Lakeway Drive. The cost is expected to total \$89,300.

Front Entrance Committee members briefed the SLWLA Board on the project in a special meeting on Tuesday, June 3.

According to a statement from President Bruce Keyser, committee member Goodman explained during that meeting that the advantage of moving ahead in conjunction with the railroad crossing project is that it will reduce total number of days the front entrance must be closed during construction.

The front entrance exit lane will be closed for ten days to allow for removal of old pavement, installation of curbing, and preparation of the surface for new paving. The exit lane would then be reopened with a gravel surface until the Aberdeen Carolina and Western Railway [ACWR] closes the front entrance completely for repaving of the railroad cross-



ing.

SLWLA will complete its entrance paving during that same time period. Currently, ACWR has that work scheduled for July 24-26, and Goodman told *The Times* those dates are firm.

Once ACWR has completed

its repaying of the crossing area, new signals, and gate arms will be installed.

The SLWLA Board voted during its special meeting to allocate an additional \$89,300 for completion of Phase 2 and 3 of the front entrance project.

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Foxfire

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from 2100 acres to more than 5000 acres, and

 The creation of a Long Range Planning Committee and approval of a ten-year long range plan.

Erickson, who has lived in Foxfire since 1992, said he will be relocating to Vero Beach, FL, in a few weeks, though he will maintain his home in the village.

Council members, staff, and citizens present for the meeting all thanked Erickson for his service.

"I think I speak for everyone," Councilwoman Leslie Frusco said. "We wish you all the best and all the happiness, because you deserve it."

"I have really enjoyed my time on the council," Erickson said. Never one to let moss grow under his feet, Erickson said he had already asked Village Clerk Lisa Kivett to help him polish up his resumé. It will be the Council's responsibility to appoint a replacement for Erickson, whose term expires in 2015.

No tax increase

The Council held a public hearing on and then approved a FY2015 budget that includes no tax increase and only small changes in most revenue and expense line items.

The total value of taxable property in Foxfire for the coming year is expected to be \$164 million, up \$200,000 from this year. Revenues are expected to increase by one percent.

A two percent increase in employee salaries has been budgeted, the cost of connecting he village offices and security cameras via the internet will also rise, leading to an overall two percent rise in administrative costs.

Public safety costs will rise seventeen percent to fund the purchase of a new patrol car and a County-approved increase in the West End Fire District tax levy.

Other business

In other business during their Tuesday, June 10 meeting, the Foxfire Council:

- Recognized the Village's Deputy Finance Officer Sharon Sanchez for five years of service.
- Approved amendments to the zoning ordinance clarifying the types of animals that may be kept in various zoning districts.
- Heard from Mayor Erickson that he had sent a letter to members of the NC Senate requesting approval of a local bill that would allow Foxfire Village to annex portions of a subdivision, rather than requiring the annexation of entire subdivisions, as is stipulated under state law.
- · Heard from two residents,

one from Grand Pines and and another from Reynview, who asked the Coucnil's assistance in having the 40 mph speed limit within the village extended out Hoffman Road past the entrances to their communities

• Referred a number of items

to the Council's June 26 Work Session, including:

- Recommended changes the the standards governing fences and walls.
- An ordinace prohibiting open burning within the Village limits.
- Revisions to the villages water rate schedule.



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Spence

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offset state funding. The state's logic is, since we have more capital wealth, then the county should be doing more for us."

Moore County Commissioners did include a partial increase in the next school year's budget. "The Commissioners have been very good to work with," Spence said. "They have stayed level [on funding] for the last few years, and that has not happened everywhere. There are a lot of places in North Carolina where the county has decreased its funding, along with the state."

The decrease in state funding has made it very difficult for MCS to operate. "There is a \$4 million funding gap," Spence said. "We can't sustain that."

"How do we close that gap?" he asked. After crunching through the numbers in a slide presentation, Spence recommended an increase in county property taxes.

A lean organization

"We hear it all the time: that we don't know what we are doing in terms of spending," Spence said. "A muchtoo-common, nonsensical recommendation is: 'If you just fired all the administration you would take care of this funding problem.'"

"We have a very lean organization. When a vacancy comes open, I am very reticent to fill it. We have only filled three — for purposes that we had to have," Spence said.

"We don't have a spending problem in Moore County Schools. We are excellent stewards and have been for long time of the public tax dollar. We are very conservative with how we budget and spend money. What we have is revenue problem."

One answer is to allow the school board to set a tax rate for school, independent of the county board of commissioners — a structure that is common in other states.

"Across the country, most states allow the school board to determine the taxes," Spence said. "That's why you have a lot of good budgets. That's what we need. We can't generate funding," Spence said. "We have no authority, state, federal, or local. We don't control any of those, really. We make a

request to county and ask for what we need."

The Moore County Commissioners and staff have also worked hard to tighten county spending. Currently, forty-two percent of the county's general fund budget goes for education. The county's proposed FY2015 budget provides part of the increase that MCS sought.

"To their credit they came to the table and said we want to work with you," Spence said. "Let's figure out how to help do it with the resources that we have." "We did get an increase, but it wasn't where we needed it to be. Now we have to get even tighter and leaner."

PTSA works to fill the gaps

Several PTSA members who attended the meeting reported that Pinecrest is already cut to the bone. One mother said, "It's May and there are still students that are sitting on tables or standing because they don't have a seat."

Other concerns mentioned were that class sizes were already over forty students

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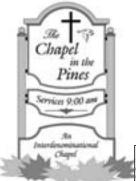


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"I believe we are on the verge of a crisis in our schools," Taylor said, citing low teacher pay, low spending per pupil, and the elimination of teacher and teacher assistant positions. "Now is the time for bold action."

Rollie Sampson, a military wife who is an active volunteer in the schools, as well as a part-time teacher at the Community Learning Center at Pinckney, said her family struggled with whether to relocate to Virginia, because of stronger support for education in that state.

"We have amazing teachers in Moore County," she said. "That is the reason that we stayed. But how long can a teacher hang on? As you go forward and advocate, we can no longer continue to cut."

Don't pass the buck

Nancy Carter, an exceptional child teacher at Union Pines High School, had the strongest words for the commissioners.

Noting that she has two children in college who plan to pursue careers in teaching, she said, "If things don't change in North Carolina and Moore County, I may have to suggest that they take their skills elsewhere."

"Do not pass the buck," she urged the board. "Be a part of the necessary changes that must happen. There are actions you can take now to show you want the best and the brightest teachers in Moore County."

"Otherwise, step down, and let those serve who are willing to do the right thing."

Teachers or digital learning or both?

The public hearing testimony included two quite different perspectives on the school district's digital learning initiative, which the County supported with \$750,000 in funding last year, and which is budgeted at the same amount in the FY2015 MCS budget.

Louis Gregory, who challenged Commissioner Otis Ritter in the May GOP primary, suggested that \$750,000 would pay for sixteen teachers.

"If, at the end of the day, we say that we don't have enough for teachers," Gregory said, "and yet we are purchasing mechanical learning devices, ask them [the school board] to delay that and instead spend the money to pay for sixteen teachers."

But Robin Calcutt, Principal at New Century Middle

School, said students need to learn how to use modern tools in order to do modern work. After laptops were rolled out at her school this year, "we witnessed a huge increase in mastery," she said.

Access to digital tools and resources "have elevated New Century and other schools into the schools we have always dreamed of for our students," Calcutt added.

The fundamental resource

Moore County Teacher of the Year Meg DeMolet, a kindergarten teacher at Pinehurst Elementary, asked the Commissioners "to continue to put education at the top of your priority list."

Quoting President John F. Kennedy, she said: "Our progress as a nation can be no swifter than our progress in education. The human

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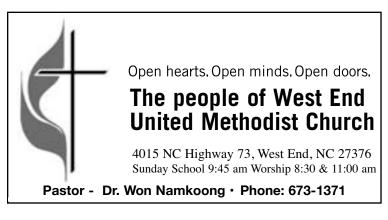
and many students were never assigned a text book.

Despite the funding challenges, the Pinecrest PTSA has undertaken number of projects — from proctoring exams to assisting with registration and selling parking passes, from organizing career night to hosting teacher luncheons and breakfasts — to keep up teacher morale, boost school spirit, and increase PTSA

membership.

During the May 21 meeting, PTSA President Mollie Hipp expressed her gratitude.

"We have had very successful year," Hipp said.
"There are lot of new members and volunteers on board.
We hit the ground running and gave out teacher grants totaling \$1600. Also given out were our senior scholarships. It was our largest applicant pool in ten years and it was a very close race."





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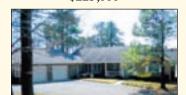
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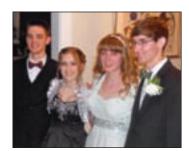
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Prom Night for Veronica & Friends

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mind is our fundamental resource."

DeMolet gave each of the Commissioners an apple to which was attached a photo of a student and a quote from the late Maya Angelou.

Commissioners respond

After the hearing was closed, each commissioner made a few points in response to what they had heard.

After the economic downturn in 2009, the board "made cuts in every department in the county except for education," Chairman Larry Caddell said. "Most of the dilemma we run in to is not because of us, but because of the state. If you go back and look at all the cuts, they were all on the state level."

"You are great speakers,"

Caddell said. "I love your passion. Our number one job is to protect the people of the county and then to fund the schools. We have been pro-education, and we do understand your pain."

Noting that his first job out of college was as a teacher, Commissioner Nick Picerno asked why, suddenly, this year, teacher pay has become such a big issue in the state, implying that politics might have something to do with the issue's current prominence. He encouraged the public to "look at the numbers and look at the spending."

"The state legislature spent more last year than it has ever spent on education," Picerno said. He asked whether surrounding counties have better schools because of their higher property taxes. "Our schools are doing a good job," Picerno said. "Let's not get wrapped up in the media.... Look at the facts and see where the money is going. Moore County is not going down; we are going up."

Noting that the meeting chamber was much fuller than is typical for commissioners meetings, Commissioner Randy Saunders encouraged those in attendance to make it a more regular habit. Saunders explained that the process of creating a county budget begins in October and said, "We need you people here more often — not just once a year. I appreciate the fact that we have so many people here pushing."

Saunders, who has been the board's point man on education, expressed optimism about the ongoing negotiations with the school board on a funding formula. And he expressed strong support of the digital learning initiative.

Commissioner Otis Ritter, who has served as a substitute teacher at North Moore High School, also expressed strong support for the digital learning initiative. "That is one of the most valuable things we have done," he said.

"Give us time; we are working for you," Ritter said.

"As teachers, you are shaping the lives and the future of these children," Commissioner Jimmy Melton said. "All the fancy gadgets are really good, but the example you set is what's really important."

The county budget is due for a vote at the next Commissioners meeting, scheduled for Tuesday, June 17 at 6:00 pm.



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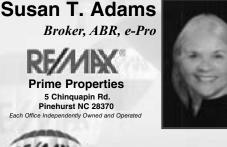
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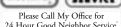
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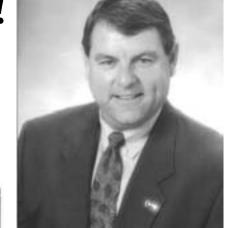
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